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On Monday, August 15, 2011, construction began on the City's first Compressed Natural Gas Fueling Facility located at 2351 Goddard Avenue adjacent to the City's North Base facility. The prime contractor for the project is Nationwide Construction Group of Chesterfield, Michigan. The total cost of the project is approximately \$1.65 million. Funding is provided by the Association of Central Oklahoma Governments (ACOG) in the amount of \$200,000 and federal stimulus funding from the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (ARRA) in the amount of \$945,000. The City's share of the project cost is estimated to be 32% or \$530,583 of the total cost. Five year projections show a fuel savings of \$850,000 to \$1,285,000 depending on the volatility of the fuel market. Completion of the facility is expected around October 1, 2011.

Upon completion, the CNG fueling facility will be open to the general public as well as the City's fleet of vehicles. Norman seeks to contribute to a reduction on the dependency of foreign oil while providing for a cleaner environment and a "greener" Norman.

If you have further questions or need additional information, please do not hesitate to call Mr. Mike White, City Fleet Superintendent, at (405) 292- 9709.

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